[*English*]

Upliftment of Rural Youth

4816. SHRI YELLAIAH NANDI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that a large number of boys and girls of the age group of 6 to 14 years living in Rural/Tribal/Village areas of Andhra Pradesh have to spend their entire lives in rearing, milking and fedding the cattles etc.;

(b) if so, whether the Government have taken any measures for their economic and Social upliftment;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government have made any efforts for identifying such youth who are lacking in proper education and economic livelihood;

(e) if so, the outcome thereof;

(f) the scheme/plans in operation at present for providing literacy/livelihood to such youth; and

(g) the details of new plans/scheme which the Government are formulating to improve their condition?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN R.) : (a) to (g) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[*Translation*]

Homoeopathy Medicine

4817. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any representation regarding the problem being faced by the dealers and exporters of homoeopathic medicines in respect of production of homoeopathic medicine;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Central Government have received representations against its preliminary notifications dated 3.7.92 restricting the packing size to 30 ml of homoeopathic medicine containing alcohol more than 12% V/V. After examining the representations, Government vide its notification dated 22.2.94 have increased the packing to 100 ml for distribution to dispensaries and hospitals.

[*English*]

Roster System in N.M.M.L.

4818. SHRI CHUN CHUN PRASAD YADAV : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether no proper recruitment has been made by the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi during the last ten years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of persons recruited alongwith the extent to which the reservation ratio in respect of SC/ST has been maintained so far;

(d) the manner in which the Government propose to fill up the posts reserved for SC/ST;

(e) whether the organisation has been resorting to ad-hoc promotion and the promotees are kept on ad-hoc basis for more than five years;

(f) if so, the reasons therefor stating the number of officials belonging to the non SC/ST category promoted on ad-hoc basis and the overall effect on the promotional chances of SC/ST officials as a result thereof; and

(g) the manner in which the Government propose to rectify the injustice, if any done to SC/ST officials?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Out of the 201 staff members in position, 50 belong to SC/ST community.

(d) Action is in hand to fill up the posts reserved for SC/ST as per existing norms

(e) to (g) Pending approval by the Competent Authority of the restructured pay scales recommended by the Re-organisation Committee for attracting qualified persons to work in the organisation for higher posts, it was considered essential in the interest of the organisation to fill up 18 vacancies on an ad-hoc basis. Out of these 18 ad-hoc appointees, 2 were recruited directly and 16 promoted departmentally, including 3 belonging to the Scheduled Castes.

Plague Control

4819. SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: